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February 20, 2001

Mr. David Waddell
Executive Secretary
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, Tennessee

RE: Tennessee Regulatory Authority Staff Request, dated February 9, 2001
Docket No. 00-00942, Tariff Filing for CSA TN00-5669-00
Docket No. 00-00945, Tariff Filing for CSA TN00-6830-00
Docket No. 00-00946, Tariff Filing for CSA TN00-7176-00
Docket No. 00-01015, Tariff Filing for CSA TN00-8592-00

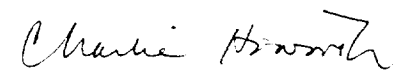
Dear Mr. Waddell:

This is in response to the TRA Staff's Data Request dated February 9, 2001.

We have reviewed the transcript from the February 6, 2001 TRA Directors' Conference and our responses to earlier Staff data requests. We continue to believe that there are no legitimate circumstances where reciprocal compensation or equivalent payment obligations could be created with respect to services provided to customers pursuant to these Contract Service Arrangements. However, in order to address the TRA's concerns, BellSouth proposes to send the attached letter to each of these CSA customers once the TRA has approved these tariffs. This letter simply notifies the customer that the language in Attachment 1, Page 1 of each CSA will not apply with respect to the services provided in Tennessee under that CSA. No action is required by the customer. BellSouth will also file a copy of each letter with the TRA.

We trust that this proposal will address the TRA's concerns. Please contact me or Paul Stinson at 214-3839 if there are any questions.

Yours truly,


Attachment

(date)

(CSA Customer)

RE: Contract Service Arrangement No XXXX-XXXX-XX

As required by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (TRA), BellSouth has filed this Contract Service Arrangement (CSA) with the TRA for their review and approval. On (date), the TRA approved this CSA subject to certain conditions, and the purpose of this letter is to notify you of those conditions. No action is required on your part.

With respect to the services provided in Tennessee under this CSA, the following paragraph, which appears in Attachment 1, Page 1 of the CSA, will not apply:

“Customer covenants and agrees that any and all payments, whether inter-carrier or otherwise as a result of any Output (all calls outbound from PRI circuit termination point), whether or not directed to or through an Internet Service Provider (ISP), an enhanced service provider (ESP), or a carrier, are Customer’s responsibility. Customer is responsible for any and all charges relating to the transport and carrier compensation arrangements relating to Output, all transport and compensation for any ISP-bound traffic and any switched access charges. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Customer further covenants and agrees that reciprocal compensation payments do not apply to the Service as part of this agreement. Customer agrees to make no claim for reciprocal compensation against BellSouth in connection with use of the PRI circuits either directly or indirectly, and further agrees to indemnify and hold BellSouth harmless against any and all reciprocal compensation obligations or claims that may arise as a result of any outbound calls from any PRI circuits during the term of this Agreement.”

Please contact your BellSouth Account Team if there are any questions.

Yours truly,

CC: Tennessee Regulatory Authority
BellSouth Account Team